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Subject: RE: harbors and bays with navigable channels that are maintained sustainably
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Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 11:33 AM
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From: Parker, Mark
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 11:17 AM
To: Wisker, George
Cc: Thompson, Brian; Francis, Peter; Fitting, Corinne; Hust, Robert
Subject: FW: harbors and bays with navigable channels that are maintained sustainably

Hi George.

As you may (or may not) know, the Long Island Sound Study National Estuary Program partners are currently revising its Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) for the Long Island Sound. A revised document has been drafted and released for public review and comment. It is posted on the LISS website (See <http://longislandsoundstudy.net/about/our-mission/updating-the-comprehensive-conservation-and-management-plan/>) with PDF files of the CCMP and Supplemental Document of Actions.

Our CCMP Core Team (writing team) will be making some edits and revisions to the document once public comment period is closed (November 8th, 2014) and all the comments are received and evaluated.

In the mean time I have been to consider the 'means by which CT, NY and/or the EPA will be evaluating' the Ecosystem Target for 100% of LIS harbors and bays being maintained with navigable channels (see page 76 -77 of the CCMP). See the below email from Jim Latimer.

The target we have currently proposed states: **"Harbors and bays with navigable channels that**

are maintained sustainably: By 2035, 100 percent of Long Island Sound harbors/bays will be maintained with navigable channels consistent with the Dredged Material Management Plan being developed.

Maintenance of navigational channels is essential to sustain both recreational and commercial activities in harbors and embayments along the CT and NY shorelines. This target ensures that dredging and dredge spoil disposal operations are accomplished in a sustainable manner, so that future generations can enjoy boating in LIS and be assured that environmental damage does not occur in the maintenance of harbors and embayments. The LISS Dredge Material Management Plan is presently under development. Our goal is to have all bays and harbors in compliance with this plan by 2035.”

We currently have not developed an Implementation action for this target.

Since you are the DEEP man with regards to dredged material management I would like to ask you for your input on this. Are you okay with this language and is the goal achievable in your opinion? Jim is also asking:

•□□□□□□□ Do we anticipate a compliance evaluation process?

- If so, is there, or will there be, a CT/NY/EPA process for compiling the compliance data?
- Other issues?

Thanx.

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Dear Drew, Mark, and Mel:

(Hi Mel, you are hereby being draft to lend your expertise in this issue related to the LISS CCMP – I hope that you don't mind)

While the LISS CCMP is out for review, I would like you to discuss the means by which CT/NY and or EPA will be evaluating the following ecosystem target.

Here is the current language:

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We should discuss the following:

- Do we anticipate a compliance evaluation process?
- If so, is there, or will there be, a CT/NY/EPA process for compiling the compliance data?
- Other issues

*** Let's try to do this over email. So please give it some thought and email your ideas using *REPLY ALL* so that we all can participate in the discussions.

Best Regards,

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"All men by nature desire to know" Aristotle
